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Lynn B. Wells



A Soldier, Moral and Qualified.

Now that the primary is only sixty days off I wish to make an appeal to the good voters of Morgan county through the columns of the Courier, and I will say that there was never a time when it was so important that voters should vote for their own interests, as the next administration will have much to do in shaping the future of Morgan county for years to come.

I wish to make an appeal to the soldiers and their friends for their undivided support in this campaign, now that all the other soldier boys have quit for one reason or another, leaving me the only soldier aspirant for any office in the gift of the people of Morgan county. There will be a great effort made to defeat me so that the politicians may get rid of the soldiers' organization.

You remember that when we were called into the uncertainties of war, giving up home and privilege of securing the proper education, sacrificing everything that the people might enjoy the peaceful liberties that had been bought by the blood of our forefathers, you said that if the boys ever got back home that they could have anything in your power to give, provided they were fitted for the place. I took this as a sincere promise on your part, dear people, and I expect you to keep faith with that promise. It should be taken in consideration the qualifications of the men that we elect to office, electing the men that will give us the most efficient service. I hold a diploma from the Blackstone Institute of Chicago, one of the best law schools in the United States, and which has at least one ex-president on its faculty. I did not attend this

school in person, but while I was going through the trials of war I took the work by correspondence course, studying as I sat in my lonely bunk at night so that I might be better fitted to earn a living if I should be permitted to return to civil life. I was deprived of many advantages that I might have had by being in the army, but I completed the course and received my diploma.

You know my moral record and the clean life I have led. I never swore an oath, never used tobacco, never drank intoxicating liquors, and my life has been as clean as the most devoted mother could wish for her son. If a man's past record counts for anything for what he will do, you can depend upon me to strictly enforce the law. If you expect the law enforced you must elect law-abiding men for your officers.

This race may be heated, but from the testimony of the people from all parts of the county I will win it by a big plurality if the good people are permitted to vote their sentiments and are not hindered by "slates" and false prophets. I am making the race solely on my own merits and am not bunched with any candidate in any race. Don't be fooled by the claims of strength made by my opponents. Ask the people and you will see that a big majority of the people are for me. Hoping that you may find in me the requisite qualities of a good County Attorney, I thank you in advance for the support I feel sure you will accord to me, and I pledge you that I will let nothing prevent me from doing my whole duty when I am elected. I remain,

Sincerely yours,
LYNN B. WELLS.

ANNOUNCES FOR TAX COMMISSIONER.

In this issue of the Courier will be found the announcement of A. F. Blevins, of West Liberty, as a candidate for the Democratic nomination for Tax Commissioner of Morgan County.

Mr. Blevins is a man of spotless character, well qualified, and very energetic, and will make a Tax Commissioner who will thoroughly satisfy the whole people. "Andy," as he is known by his wide circle of acquaintances, has been Justice of the Peace three terms and four years as road engineer, and in both of these capacities he has demonstrated that he is a man of high ideals, progressive and honest. Well educated, thorough in his habits, courageous in his convictions, he will make a Tax Commissioner who will be worth much to the county. Capable and energetic he will leave no stone unturned to bring to light the hidden property that usually escapes taxation and the valuation will be practically equalized when he turns in his lists.

Being the only applicant who passed the examination he will have no opposition and his election assured, and in the opinion of the Courier no man more fitted by nature and qualification could have been found in the county.

To the Democrats of Magisterial District No. 4:

I take this method of thanking the people who have assured me of their support in my race for Justice of the Peace, and to the numerous ones who have written to me to pledge me their support I will say that I ask them to take this acknowledgment of the receipt of the letters and an answer to them.

For their benefit I want to assure them that if I am elected I will favor an administration of the county affairs along sane business lines. I am for progress in all things and for the application of business economy in county affairs. Morgan is a business corporation and should be conducted according to business standards. I favor good roads and believe that all the county should share in the road building and that each section should be looked after.

I am in favor of the strict enforcement of the law and pledge the voters that if I am elected I will do all in my power to enforce the law in my district.

Thanking you for the exceedingly encouraging support you have assured me, I remain,

Yours very sincerely,
J. E. BRADLEY.

Summer Poem.

Moon
Spoon
Peach
Beach
Miss
Kiss

Although a trifle terse, I trust, You'll understand it well.

It is long road to happiness for the reason that we don't recognize him when we meet him on the road.

Ferguson States His Cause.

Some time ago I made a statement through the columns of this paper as to my position and what I would do if elected Sheriff of Morgan county. Since then there has been a great deal said in regard to my stand for law enforcement, and no doubt most every voter in the county has made up their mind as to what they stand for in regard to law enforcement and the making Morgan county one of the most law-abiding in the State. You believe that the law should be enforced so that you can have protection in your homes, in your churches and in your schools. If you stand for these things you should vote for me.

I belong to no party, a tie no class or combination nor will I be in any combination. I will cast my vote for such men as I believe stand for the enforcement of the law and a fair and faithful administration of the affairs of the county.

The time is here when every good citizen must put aside all personal preferences and vote for such a man as will serve you honestly and faithfully. Morgan county is a five million dollar corporation, and the men you elect to office are the officers of that corporation, and have full charge of its business. It frequently happens that we vote for a man because he is a good fellow, or because he and his people have voted for us or some of our people or because he has some man running as his deputy who has likewise been for us or our people, or on account of relationship. It is time that we looked more to the welfare of our county and voted for men who will honestly and fearlessly enforce the law and make efficient and vigilant officers.

I ask no man's support on the ground that I have supported him or some of his people in previous elections. I ask no man's support solely on the ground that some one running as a deputy has supported him or his people.

It is on a higher plane that I seek your support. If you believe that I, together with the deputies on the ticket with me, will serve you faithfully and rigidly enforce the law, I feel that I am entitled to your support. Every deputy on the ticket with me is pledged to me to actively and persistently do all in his power to enforce the law and break up moonshining, bootlegging and petty lawlessness. My record as an officer and my life as a citizen tells you what to expect of me when I am elected.

Aware that the liquor interests and the men who do not want the law against the sale of liquor enforced are against me and trying to compass my defeat, I am confidently expecting the law-abiding people, and especially the women, of the county, whom I know to stand for morality, sobriety and religion, who are in the majority and who will not be deceived by what might be told them in regard to this matter, to support me, and I feel sanguine of my success. But I warn my friends, the friends of the enforcement of law, to be constantly on their guard. Eternal vigilance is the price of liberty, and we must realize that every one must go to the polls at the primary and cast their votes in the interest of law and order.

I am fifty years old and I invite you to go back to my boyhood days, if you care to, and investigate my life as a citizen, and also for eight years I was Justice of the Peace and county judge of the county, and I invite a close investigation of my record as an officer, and if you believe that I will best serve the interests of the law-abiding people, in every way, so far as the office of sheriff affects the people, I ask your hearty support and ask you to go out to the primary of August 6, and vote for me.

Yours for law and order,
I. C. FERGUSON.

A Personal Tribute.

West Liberty, Ky., June 6, 1921.
To the People of Morgan County:
After seeing and hearing what has been said of the various candidates for the office I feel that I would like to speak a word for a man whom I have known from boyhood. This man is John A. Fairchild.

He has always been a good citizen, standing firmly for the enforcement of the law and for the best things for the community. I have known him intimately from the cradle and never him to be intoxicated or guilty of any offense against the law of his country. He was converted when 19 years old and in his every day walk it has been seen that he has led a Christian life.

Am 77 years old and have lived near Fairchild since his infancy and have had the best opportunity to know his life and daily walk. I am writing this in the interest of obriety and good order.

Yours, for law and order,
FRANK FANNIN.

To the Democrats of Morgan County:
I desire to say to the Democratic voters of Morgan County that as the primary draws nearer my prospects of election seem brighter and brighter, and I desire to request your support.

The selection of officers is merely deciding upon the fitness of the vari-

ous candidates and when the majority decides their choice should be final and satisfactory. As a Democrat I am willing to submit my case to the Democrats of my native county and abide by the results.

I was deputy sheriff for four years under S. M. Lykins, and am willing to be judged by the record I made as an officer.

A reference to my announcement will show that I have selected as deputies only sober, discreet men of high character.

Promising you that if elected I will faithfully and impartially discharge the duties of sheriff to the best of my ability, I earnestly ask for your support in the coming primary. I am not allied with any other candidate for any other office and am relying for my election upon my official record, my record as a citizen and as a Democrat. I will be exceedingly grateful to you for your support and will strive to merit your confidence by making you a good and faithful officer.

Cordially yours,
D. H. PERRY.

To the Democratic Voters of Morgan County.

I wish to call attention of the Democratic voters of this county to my candidacy for Jailor, and the reason why I should have the very careful consideration of every Democrat, both men and women, at the August primary election.

My kin people are all Democrats, and the family is one of the largest families of this county. None of my near relatives have ever held office. Notwithstanding this, we have always loyally supported the party, its policies and nominees. I am at present holding the office of Jailor under appointment to fill out the unexpired term of the previously elected Jailor.

It is my wish and request that my record for this brief tenure be carefully examined by all. I have faithfully kept the public property of the county and discharged all the duties incumbent on me by virtue of my appointment, and I feel that my services merit the approval of the citizenship of the county, as well as meet the requirements of law, and for these reasons I do not hesitate to invite careful scrutiny of my record.

At the end of the present term I will have held the office a little more than two years, and this time should be sufficient, it seems to me, to test my qualifications and fitness for this office. Also, I believe that, in view of this short service, it is due me that my candidacy receive the endorsement of the party at the August primary and November election.

In this race for nomination, as in the discharge of my official duties, I shall attend to my own affairs, run my own race and let all other candidates do the same. I belong to no political clan or clique and will not permit such an alliance, for my candidacy is entrusted to the Democrats of the county and not to any boss or set of bosses.

It is my wish and plan to see every Democratic voter before the August primary, but, in the event I do not please remember that I earnestly solicit your support and influence, and shall be truly grateful for every vote cast in my favor and every kind word spoken in my behalf.

Very truly yours,
H. T. DYER.

Tother or Which.

According to the lights of one of my opponents I am disqualified from making the race for County Attorney by not having been born an orphan and failing to inherit an indomitable will power that sweeps aside every obstacle that comes in my path. But these are matters that are beyond the control of mere man, though had I inherited an "invincible will power" I could have doubtless sent that restless force back and controlled the fate that created me and inherited all the grace of Apollo, the wisdom of Socrates and the eloquence of Cicero (whoever these fellows might be.)

In my youth there was no Hazel Green Academy through which I could work my way, due, doubtless, to my not having inherited an "invincible will" that would have ordained an academy near at hand through which I could have passed. But such is fate.

Thinly veiled, and very thinly, in his article is the aspersion that one of his opponents is a loner and the other corrupt. I am going to allow my other opponent, Mr. Wells, to take choice which of these classes fit him and, perhaps, take the other, for I am too good natured to quarrel with him as to that.

I am willing to confess that when a boy I did not burn much midnight oil. Working from twelve to fourteen hours a day on a farm gives a fellow such a desire for sleep that he is usually willing to sleep to "hit the hay" as soon after supper as possible.

Another confession I desire to make is that I don't know more than Solomon is credited with, nor do I feel that I could have managed the war better than President Wilson. I am just an ordinary country lawyer, without any Ph. D., S. O. S., or P. D. Q. titles to string after my name. However, some

of the best lawyers of the mountains have attained high rank in the profession without a college pedigree. As a farmer I know a little about stock, and it is usually conceded that a horse without a pedigree is better than a pedigree without a horse.

Fellow citizens, I believe that I have performed my duty since being appointed County Attorney as to convince you that I can be depended upon, and most of you know me and know my character. It is not for me to say with what esteem I am held by those who know me. The people who know me are the best evidence of that. One of the earliest things learned was that "self praise is half scandal" and I am willing for the people to judge between me and my opponents.

In conclusion I want to say that both of my opponents are worthy young men, in the beginning of life with possibly many years before them. I have passed the meridian of life and this will be my last appeal to you for your support. In the event of my being elected or otherwise this is the last time I will be a candidate. I appeal to you for your support, promising that I will honestly and faithfully perform the duties of the office, and I will deeply appreciate your support in this my last entry into the contest for office.

Yours sincerely,
JOHN W. COFFEY.

Wrigley vs. West Liberty.

The Wrigley ball team played the local team on the West Liberty ground Saturday and were defeated by a score of 6 to 3.

The visitors were outclassed as a whole, though they put up a game fight. One or two of the players were just boys and were too light for their antagonists. Their pitcher was a good one and had had perfect support the game might have terminated differently. For several innings they were unable to hit Sherr and it looked as if they would not get a run, but in the latter part of the game they succeeded in getting three runs across the plate.

They were a splendid bunch of young fellows and will always find a welcome on our grounds.

Good Oil Well on Rockhouse.

An oil well was drilled in last week on Rockhouse creek, on the lands of one of the Pelfreys, and oil was struck at a depth of 175 feet, and it is said to be one of the best wells in that section. It is claimed that that it is doing at least 100 barrels per day. Twenty-five barrels were taken from it in 35 minutes after it was drilled in.

This well is in the edge of the Magothin territory and near the Morgan line, and is said to be the best well in the territory.

Frank Kennard of Logville, is one of the company who put the well down and his friends are congratulating him on his good luck.

NEIGHBORHOOD NEWS & ITEMS

A certain young man of great gump-ton
'Monst cannibals had the presumption

To go—but alas,
He never came back;
They say 'twas a case of consumption.

Floyd Arnett went to Salyersville on business Monday.

Born, June 7, to the wife of Nettie Dalton, of Pomp, a boy.

Born, May 31, to the wife of Henry L. Gevedon, of Greer, a boy.

Sen, Charles D. Arnett is at Covington on several days on business.

Leonard Stamper, of Grass Creek, was in town Monday on business.

D. C. Ferguson, of Grass Creek, was a business visitor in town Monday.

Mr. and Mrs. J. W. Bailey, of Dingus, visited Judge I. C. Ferguson Saturday night and Sunday.

W. J. Williams, of Insko, was in town on business Monday and paid the Courier office a pleasant visit.

Examination for Teachers' certificates will be held in West Liberty June 17th, and 18th.

BERNARD E. WHITT,
Superintendent.

Mrs. Jas. P. Oney returned Saturday from a visit with relatives and friends at Winchester and Lexington.

Joe C. Stamper and Rollie Cecil, of Grass Creek, were in town last Wednesday on business and called at the Courier office while in town.

TELLS WHAT HE STANDS FOR

Elect Charley Henry Judge.

When a man becomes a candidate for such an important office as that of County Judge he should be able to give to the voters some reasons that to them will be sufficient to justify their supporting him.

First, let me confess that I have an ambition to serve the people of my native county in the capacity of the highest office in their gift. I believe that this is laudable ambition and if I can convince the Democrats of the county that I am qualified and worthy of their support I think that they will agree with me that my ambition is commendable.

As most of you know, I was reared on a farm and was early orphaned and grew up in poverty, and that what education I have obtained was under the most adverse circumstances. But neither of these are of themselves sufficient reasons why I should be elected County Judge. The people owe me no office. The people owe me no office. The selection of all officers should be from reasons that are directly connected with the welfare of the county and its affairs.

Some of the reasons, as I deem it, why you should support me I will now give: For eight years, four years as a deputy under L. A. Lykins, and four years as sheriff, I have acted for the county. During my term as sheriff I have collected and turned in more money than any sheriff of the county has ever done in a like period. I have had fewer sales for taxes, fewer exonerations, and fewer exemptions than any other sheriff.

There has never been placed in my hands a process that was not executed if the party for whom it was issued could be found in the county. Nor has there been any trouble in my settlement or in any way connected with my office. I court the strictest investigation of my official acts, knowing that my official record is one of which I have every reason to be proud.

The eight years experience I have had with the county's affairs give me an insight to the business of the county and makes me more capable of discharging the duties of the office of County Judge than any other experience that could have come to me. During this time I have studied some law, have been in the courts and believe that I will equal to any legal problem that might come before me as your County Judge.

It is being urged that I could have done more along the lines of law enforcement than I have, but I submit it to the candid verdict of the people as to whether or not that charge is true. The sheriff's office is purely a ministerial office. It has no power of the judiciary. The sheriff can only execute the processes placed in his hands, and I have done that faithfully. The law absolutely prohibits the sheriff from making search of premises of

an individual unless armed with a search warrant, and the sheriff has no power to issue that warrant. I submit to your fairness and sober judgment whether or not I have faithfully performed my duties.

But as County Judge the matter has an entirely different phrase, and if elected to this office I pledge the voters that I will do every thing in my power to enforce the law, and to be especially active in suppressing the traffic in liquors. Every law that is put on the statutes is intended to be obeyed and I will use every power of mind and energy to the faithful discharge of duty and the enforcement of the laws.

I am an ardent advocate of good roads and believe that Morgan county should have as good roads as any county in the State, and I will do all that I can to promote the building of good roads. I realize, however, that road building has its limitations and I will not agree to the expenditure of more money than the county can afford in the building of roads, nor in the waste of money in their construction.

Under the present law the State is to build and maintain a system of inter-county seat roads, and we will ultimately have four roads leading out from West Liberty and crossing the county on both directions. These roads will be a great boon to the people and will cost the county nothing. And I am in favor of our building good roads to connect these up so that all the citizens of the county will have access to these highways. Just what means we will have to adopt will have to be decided in the future, but I will advocate the way of the least cost to the people. There is a difference between stinginess and economy, a difference between progress and extravagance. Progress and economy go hand in hand, and I will endeavor to conduct all of the county's affairs along the line of greater progress coupled with strict economy.

If you will elect me to the office of County Judge I will realize that you have conferred a great honor upon me, and will strive with all the powers I have to prove that this honor does not sit lightly upon me. I will strive to make you the best officer that I can, and will endeavor to so demean myself, in office and out of it, that you will never have to blush for having honored me. It will be the crowning of my life's ambition and I will devote my energies to the discharge of the office in such a way that you will not be ashamed of having supported me.

Thanking you in advance for the promise of support and feeling assured of the continuation of that generous support that you have given me, with grateful mind and thankful heart, I remain,

Your obedient servant,
CHAS. P. HENRY.

W. P. Halsey, of Demund, was a business visitor in town Monday and paid the Courier office a pleasant call.

John A. Fairchild, of Pomp, candidate for Jailor, was in town Monday and paid the Courier office a pleasant call.

Charley, the little two year old son of Dr. C. C. Burton, is ill this week, but it is hoped that his illness is not serious.

L. P. May, of Woodland, was a business visitor in town Monday and called and had his paper changed from Liberty Road to Woodland.

Stanley Dennis, of Campton, was in town the latter part of the week on business. Stanley says he likes Campton fine and is getting along well.

Misses Anna and Goldie Nickell, two very attractive young ladies of Nickell, were in town Wednesday and paid the Courier office a pleasant visit.

Art Lacy, Henry and Frank Brown and Oscar Cantrell attended the Morehead court day stock sale Monday and brought back some nice saddle horses.

Earl Henry, of Pomp, who has been at school at Morehead for the past six months, has accepted a position in the Recreation Building, at Harlan, under the management of S. S. Arnett.

Sunday afternoon Mrs. J. H. Sebastian sprained her foot severely in getting out of an automobile. As she stepped from the car she stepped on a small stone and it turned, causing the sprain.

Sam, the little son of Dr. C. C. Burton, cut his foot severely on a piece of glass last Sunday week, and has been prevented from walking since that time. The wound is healing and it is to be hoped that the little man will be about again shortly.

Conrad Pugett, of Jackhorn, and Crawford Pugett, of Camp Knox, were in town Tuesday, on their way to visit

relatives in the county. Crawford is a member of the Military Police in Louisville, stationed there to look after the soldier boys who may happen in the city.

J. G. Lewis, of Wrigley, was in town Monday and called at the Courier office to renew his subscription. This was the first time that Mr. Lewis had been to West Liberty for a year, having just one year and a day before came in and paid up his subscription.

Mrs. R. A. Sample, of Hazel Green, is visiting her daughter, Mrs. J. W. Henry, at Pomp. Mrs. Sample will be 91 years of age on Sept. 30 and is remarkably strong for one of her age. She eats well and gets about without trouble and reads the Courier without glasses.

Services at Salyer Cemetery. Impressive services were held at the Salyer cemetery on May 29, conducted by Rev. Howard, of the M. E. church. The graves had been beautifully decorated and the cemetery put in fine condition. A good fence has been put around the cemetery lot and the ground cleaned up.

There is still some funds lacking to pay for the improvements to the cemetery and those who have subscribed to the fund and have not paid in will please do so at once, and those who will are ask to contribute to the fund.

Birthday Party.

A delightful birthday party was given by Miss Clarinda McClure on the evening of June 4, at the residence of her father, T. H. McClure, at Pomp. The following young people were present: Misses Floris Cox, Ruby Perry, Gladys and Georgia Johnson, of Pomp; Jewel Lacy and Clara Carpenter, of West Liberty; Margaret Taulbee, of Hazel Green; Clara Lewis, of Licking River; Messrs. Bryan, Newt, Ben and Charley Perry and Newt Cox, of Pomp; John Davis, of Pomp; Clint Lacy, of West Liberty; Wayne Fannin, Yocum, Carl Hicks, of Nelsonville, Ohio; Monte Frisky, of Hardburley.